

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### EARMARK DECLARATION

#### HON. STEVE SCALISE

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 2, 2010*

Mr. SCALISE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on Congressionally directed project funding, I am submitting the following information regarding project funding I requested for Southeast Louisiana as part of the Fiscal Year 2010 Defense Appropriations bill.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE SCALISE

Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2010 Defense Appropriations Bill

Account: Warfighter Sustainment Applied Research

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Tulane University

Address of Requesting Entity: 6823 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana 70118

Description of Request: I have secured \$800,000 for Tulane University. It is my understanding that the funding is for Tulane University to work with Xavier University, ONR, and other Department of Defense partners on a biosensors and risk assessment technologies program. Biosensors developed through this program will provide real-time information about the threats from bioterrorism and environmental pollutants, allowing DoD to respond more effectively and at less expense than other analytical methods. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

### EARMARK DECLARATION

#### HON. CHRISTOPHER JOHN LEE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 2, 2010*

Mr. LEE of New York. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the FY10 Defense Appropriations bill.

Requesting Member: Congressman CHRISTOPHER JOHN LEE (NY-26)

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: RDT&E, Army

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Hauptman Woodward Medical Research Institute (HWI)

Address of Requesting Entity: 700 Ellicott St., Buffalo, NY 14203

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$2,000,000 for identification of new drug targets in multi-drug resistant bacteria causing opportunistic infections.

This project will address the recent rapid increase of severe opportunistic post-wound infections in the warfighter caused by the drug and multi-drug resistant bacteria *Acinetobacter*

*baumannii*. HWI will identify new antibacterial drug targets and develop novel lead drug compounds with the goal of acquiring effective treatments against difficult and dangerous infections.

Warfighters wounded during battle are highly susceptible to opportunistic infections, greatly complicating their treatment and recovery. Their susceptibility to post-wound infections is due to the difficulty in cleaning traumatic deep tissue wounds and the near impossibility of maintaining sterile conditions during front line medical care. Opportunistic infections of wounded warfighters greatly extend hospital stays and increase costs. Wounded warfighters are routinely treated immediately with antibiotics in an effort to prevent opportunistic infections. Unfortunately, the occurrence of drug and multi-drug resistant strains of *A. baumannii* is rapidly increasing. Currently, 50 percent of these infections are resistant to treatment by at least one antibiotic, and 1 in 10 infections can't be treated by any antibiotic in routine use. Infections by drug resistant strains of *A. baumannii* often result in limb amputation or even death.

This project will address this militarily important problem by identifying new drug targets within *A. baumannii*, determining the molecular structure of the proteins, and then identifying chemicals that will serve as the starting points for developing desperately needed new antibiotic drugs effective against multi-drug resistant *A. baumannii*. HWI has already identified and begun characterization of several proteins that are potential drug targets.

### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. JIM GERLACH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 2, 2010*

Mr. GERLACH. Madam Speaker, unfortunately, on Tuesday, January 26, 2010, I missed three recorded votes on the House floor. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on Rollcall 17, "yea" on Rollcall 18 and "yea" on Rollcall 19.

IN HONOR OF THE NATIVE DAUGHTERS OF THE GOLDEN WEST, SAN JUAN BAUTISTA PARLOR NO. 179

#### HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 2, 2010*

Mr. FARR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Centennial year of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179. Over the past hundred years, the San Juan Bautista Parlor has furthered the aims of the Native Daughters of the Golden West by preserving California's

history, improving its present, and ensuring a brighter future for all its citizens.

On February 23, 1910, NDGW Grand President Emma Lillie Humphrey presided over a ceremony to institute the San Juan Bautista Parlor. In 1934, the Parlor purchased an Adobe built in 1830 on Fourth St. It soon became known as the Native Daughters Adobe. The Parlor restored the building to a useful condition and continues to maintain this historic building. It remains the monthly meeting place of the Parlor and a focus for many activities for local organizations. Chief among these are its work with children's organizations, veterans and active military. Their weekly Yoga class at the Adobe promotes a healthy lifestyle for the community.

The Native Daughters of the Golden West Children's Foundation holds fundraising events to assist California's children with special medical needs that are beyond the family's means. Additionally, San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179 gives a scholarship annually to students from the local high schools and sponsors students who participate in the state-wide NDGW California History essay contest.

The Parlor's activities reach beyond the borders of San Juan Bautista and San Benito County, CA. With their focus on California history, the Parlor has placed plaques designating historical landmarks, helped restore and preserve the beautiful monuments in the state's twenty-one missions, and is very active in fund raising activities for the missions. The Parlor also provides California Flags to local schools, libraries, VFW Posts, city and county government offices.

The internationally played card game "Pedro" was said to have been invented in San Juan Bautista and has been continuously played throughout California since the mid-1800's. Each month, the Parlor hosts a Pedro card party for the community which keeps the Pedro history alive.

Parlor No. 179 organizes several annual events that celebrate California's history. Fremont Peak Day, co-sponsored with local Posts of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, commemorates the Bear Flag Revolt of 1846, the engagement between the forces of John C. Fremont and General Jose Castro. An Admission Day community barbeque celebrates the date California became the 31st State: September 9, 1850.

Members of San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179 are also involved in activities which promote recycling, energy awareness and water conservation, protecting and preserving California's natural resources and its environment.

Madam Speaker, I know my fellow members of the House will join me in congratulating the Native Daughters of the Golden West, San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179 on their 100th anniversary. Their civic pride shines brightly and illuminates the many activities that improve the community and conserve and promote our heritage.

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